

April, 2023

Dear CLQ members,

Happy Spring! We are all looking forward to meeting in person at the church for the April meeting on April 10, 2023. It will be nice to see everyone in person. I noticed the other day that the azaleas and the daffodils are up, so I hope that the gardeners among you are enjoying the fresh air and soil.

Spring is supposed to be the season of renewal, so I hope the increasing sunshine encourages you all to finish a UFO or to start a new quilt.

We now have a quilt show co-chair, so a big thank you to Janet Liples for stepping up. Now that we have our co-chairs, a date, and a location, we can now get really started on the serious preparation for our 2024 CLQ Quilt Show! This is definitely something for us to be excited about and we want everyone to get involved. If the tasks are broken up into many smaller parts, it is not difficult. We are hoping that everyone will volunteer for something. The reason last year's Bazaar was such a success was because so many members were involved. We are hoping that the excitement of showing off our quilts to the community will inspire everyone.

Please see the program section of the newsletter for the information about this month's speaker.

Hope that everyone's holidays are happy!

Happy Quilting,

Bonnie Kane President



COUNTY LINE QUILTERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 3-13-2023



Speaker – Suzi Parron, Barn Quilts via Zoom from The Villages, FL. Entertaining presentation of barn quilts across America.

Website – barnquiltinfo.com – free shipping through Friday, 03/17/23.

The meeting was called to order at 8PM by President, Bonnie Kane.

Programs – L Watson/B Miller – April will be our own Gina Gempesaw with the topic of Borders and Bindings. Need ideas for next years meetings. One meeting will be Demos by guild members. B Kane offered to present Color Theory.

Secretary – L Holtzman - There was a motion to accept the February minutes, a second and accepted.

Treasurer – S Trucksess – Any questions regarding February report as published? A member asked about new transactions.

Deposit - \$265.00 – membership - \$15.00 and fabric panel sales - \$250.00 Check – B Lewis/Philanthropy - \$205.00 Deposit - \$35.00 – membership - \$30.00 and fabric panel sale - \$5.00 Check – Donation to KI Synagogue - \$72.00 – donation from Bazaar held in December, 2022. There was a motion to accept the February Treasurer's report, a second and accepted.

S. Trucksess advised that she will need to step down effective 06/30/23 and will

assist with the audit and tax return. B. Kane expressed a thank you for her service.

Membership – H Haun/L Moore – new member Pat Clayton (also a member of Newtown). Lois took roll. Revised By-Laws (for review) and an updated membership list to be sent to all members.

Ambassador – N Williams – no update

Hospitality – C Cotter – April meeting will be in person. We will need individual snacks and water bottles. A reminder – all drinks need to have a cap/lid/cover.

Newsletter – J Kane – Please submit articles by 03/25/23

Activities - J Helstrom – April's fat quarter color is Pink. Please bring two fat quarters, one for the drawing and one for the raffle basket. Still in need of Raffle Basket donations. Two baskets will be raffled at the June, 2023 meeting. Tickets will be on sale at the upcoming meetings. \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Joyce expressed a thank you to Ellen Cicak and Kathy Webb for the Kaleidoscope Quilt workshop. Class two of two to be held in April. Requests from the Food Pantry change weekly and suggested items are posted on the New Britain Baptist Church (NBBC) website and Facebook page. Latest request was for diapers and toilet paper. Gift cards in the amount of \$10.00 each

from Giant Food Stores are always welcome.

Website – M Malik – no changes. (1) To reinforce the food pantry, there is a generic list of items on the NBBC website. (2) Encouraging members to volunteer, step up and be a part of the solution.

Open Board Positions – reminder that CLQ is still in need of these positions – Publicity, Technology, Historian, Quilt Show co-chair and Treasurer

Sunshine – J Malone – Get Well cards were sent to L Watson, K Adams and P Kennedy and her husband.

Quilt Show – S O'Neill – Still waiting on St Cyril's to confirm the May, 2024 dates. Need committee chairs. Three members have responded to the email blast from 03/07/23.

Philanthropy – B Lewis/B Gleason – March is National Quilting month, Saturday 03/18/23 is National Quilting Day – so please join us on Thursday 03/16/23 for the monthly CLQ Charity Sewing Day at NBBC. This is an open invitation to all. You can pick up projects, drop off finished projects and/or pantry items. Bring your sewing supplies and your lunch. Non-sewing jobs are also available. Please continue to make placemats. We will be delivering to five (5) different Meals on Wheels groups in late April. Our goal is 400 placemats! The next Charity Sewing Day will be Thursday, 04/20/23.

Raffle Quilt – G Gempesaw – The quilt is a work in progress

Challenge Quilt – G Gempesaw – The 2023 challenge will be presented by the May, 2023 meeting

Fons & Porter – S Clark – not present – Start or renew your subscription through CLQ. Present a check payable to CLQ in the amount of \$20.00, the guild pays \$15.00 and earns \$5.00

J Malone for J Overberger – Tea at Tilly Mints Tea Room on Sunday 03/26/23 at 12PM (noon)

M Malik – upcoming quilt shows – Lancaster 03/29 thru 04/1 and Homemakers 04/14 & 04/15

OLD BUSINESS

B Lewis – a correction was published/emailed to the Mystery Quilt. A cutting instruction had been misprinted in the source book. The last clue will be published in the April, 2023 newsletter. The Mystery Quilt show and tell will be held at the June, 2023 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

J Helstrom – **By-Laws** – should the membership fee be increased? A lively discussion occurred. B Kane asked for a motion to table this item to be reviewed by the Executive Board on 04/03/23. There was a second to the motion and acceptance.

B Lewis – Inquiry regarding the Quilt Show and more details from S O'Neill. Per Sylvia – more details will be presented in person at the 04/10/23 meeting.

L Moore – **monthly drawings**Byrne Gift Card – R Malizia
Stitch Central Gift Card – C Cotter

Meeting adjourned at 8:50PM. Submitted by, Lynn Holtzman/Secretary

PHILANTHROPY



Dear Fellow CLQ Members,

Now that we are in our spring season at CLQ, we are continually moving on with our activities. Speaking of which, our next Sew Day will be Thursday, April 20, 10:00 to 3:00 at the New Britain Baptist Church.

At our upcoming in-person meeting on April 10th, please bring all of your completed Philanthropy items.

We are looking for "masculine" fabric for our projects, placemats, walker bags and wheelchair quilts. Beside these projects, we continue to make burp cloths, NICU quilts, and receiving blankets, as well as make our delivery donations. Up to this point we have gotten very positive feedback from the places CLQ has donated many of the named items. These include the Baby Bureau, St. Christopher's Hospital for Children, Neshaminy Manor, and Meals on Wheels. That can make all of our guild members feel very proud and positive about their work.

We want to thank all of our current contributing members for all of their ongoing involvement and donations. We also want to thank several new members who are stepping up to lend a hand as well.

We are looking forward to seeing you and always appreciate all you do to help others need.

Sincerely,

Barbara Lewis and Barb Gleason

GUILD HAPPENINGS

March Meeting

Our April speaker is Gina Gempesaw. This is her description of the presentation she will be sharing at our next meeting.

A Quilty Finish: Borders and Bindings By Gina Gempesaw

Take a journey through this collection of Gina's quilts and samples to see a variety of borders and bindings. Along the way, Gina shares some tips and tricks for great quilt finishes.

Activities

We had a great learning session with Ellen Cicak and Kathy Webb at Sit and Sew. We will reconvene on April 15th to see what everyone has created. Thank you to these two very talented and generous ladies!

The fat quarter color for April's meeting is pink! Remember: bring 2 fat quarters and get a chance to win half of the fat quarters that night.

The Food Pantry is in need of children's diapers and pull-ups as well as toilet paper.

I would be happy to receive donations for the raffle baskets. I should have them ready for our May meeting.

Membership

Attached is a copy of the membership list as of March. Please review it carefully for any errors and let me or Helen know what has to be changed. Remember, these emails are the ones used to convey news to you about the Guild as well as access via Zoom when used.

Thank you!

Lois (lomo151@gmail.com) and Helen (hb.haun@verizon.net)

Hospitality

In April we will need some donations for bottles of water and bagged snacks. Please email me or call, me, Carol Cotter, if you are able to bring in either 10 waters or 15 bagged snacks. Thank you!

Executive Board Openings

We currently have openings on the executive board of our Guild and we are looking for members to fill these positions! If you are interested in filling the position of <u>Technology</u> <u>Chair</u>, <u>Publicity Chair</u>, or (2024) <u>Quilt Show Co-Chair</u>, please contact Bonnie Kane.

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County Line Quilters' Website

Just a reminder to everyone that you can visit our website at countylinequilters.org.



UPCOMING QUILT SHOWS

The **Homemakers Country Quilters Quilt Show** will be held April 14th and 15th at 4H Center 1015 Bridge Road, Collegeville, PA.

ITEM FOR SALE

A former member has a tuffet kit available. Includes the pattern and the ottoman. They can be found on eBay for \$140. She is looking for \$75 to \$100. Whatever you think is fair. Contact Barb Gleason.

Mystery Quilt 2022-2023 "Secret in the Sewing Box"

The final clue to the 2022-2023 Mystery Quilt was sent as an attachment with the newsletter. If any member needs access to clues from prior months, contact Barbara Lewis or Jacob Kane.

"QUILT TURNING" AT THE SCHWENKFELDER

The newest collection of historic quilts at the Schwenkfelder Heritage Center in Pennsburg will be shown in a "quilt turning" on Saturday April 22, 2023. This will be a fabulous opportunity for those who appreciate our region's rich collection of antique textiles to view some Up Close! Cost is \$35 if registration is done by March 1, \$40 thereafter. Two showings are planned: 10AM and 1:30PM. Register online at schwenkfelder.org/calendar or call 215-679-3103

TEA AT TILLY MINT'S!

On Sunday, March 26, some guild members met at Tilly Mints Tea House in Souderton for a lovely tea, food, and great friendship. We were able to visit with friends and get to know other members better. Here are some pictures of our afternoon.



